

December 17, 2002

The Honorable Board of Supervisors  
County of Los Angeles  
383 Kenneth Hahn Hall of Administration  
500 West Temple Street  
Los Angeles, CA 90012

Dear Supervisors:

**TELECOMMUNICATION LEASE - OPTION TO RENEW FIVE-YEAR TERM STATE  
OF CALIFORNIA MOUNT LUKENS RADIO SITE  
(FIFTH) (3 VOTES)**

**IT IS RECOMMENDED THAT YOUR BOARD:**

1. Approve the renewal of a five-year option term contained in the existing telecommunications lease agreement with the State of California (State), which will provide the Sheriff's Department (Sheriff) with continued use of radio vault and tower space at the Mount Lukens radio site for an additional five-year term, commencing January 1, 2003, at a total cost of \$171,720.
2. Authorize the Chief Administrative Office (CAO) to implement the project.

**PURPOSE/JUSTIFICATION OF RECOMMENDED ACTION**

In December 1999, your Board approved the existing lease with the State, which contained a five-year option term, scheduled to become effective January 1, 2003, if exercised. Approval of the lease renewal will provide the Sheriff continued utilization of this space, which is a part of an integral network of remote communication sites that comprise the Department's Mobile Digital Communications System (MDCS). This system provides a comprehensive voice and data communications network, including mobile data terminals and portable radios, which can be accessed by all Sheriff field officers. The system provides increased officer safety, while also providing a higher level of police service in all areas of Los Angeles County, including the Angeles National Forest and other rural locations. The Sheriff continues to support the need for this site.

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### **IMPLEMENTATION OF STRATEGIC PLAN GOALS**

The Countywide Strategic Plan directs that we effectively manage the resources that we have and increase public/private partnerships (Goal 4, Strategies 1 and 3). The exercise of this option renewal supports this strategy.

### **FISCAL IMPACT/FINANCING**

The total rental cost for the extended five-year lease term is \$171,720. This figure includes an annual fixed rent cost of \$33,000 for year one, with fixed annual rent increases of approximately two percent in years two through five.

### **FACTS AND PROVISIONS/LEGAL REQUIREMENTS**

The CAO will advise the State of the County's intention to exercise the option renewal after your Board formally approves and adopts this recommendation. This will satisfy the legal requirements under the terms of the lease and allow the Sheriff with continued use of eight equipment racks within the radio vault, and related antenna/microwave tower space.

### **ENVIRONMENTAL DOCUMENTATION**

The lease agreement is categorically exempt from the California Environmental Quality Act, specified in Class 1, Section r of the revised Environmental Document Reporting Procedures and Guidelines adopted by your Board.

### **IMPACT ON CURRENT SERVICES (OR PROJECTS)**

There will be no compromise of public safety missions or disruption of vital communication services.

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**CONCLUSION**

It is requested that the Executive Officer, Board of Supervisors return duplicate stamped copies of the adopted Board letter and a certified copy of the Minute Order to the CAO - Real Estate Division, 222 South Hill Street, 3<sup>rd</sup> Floor, Los Angeles, CA 90012.

Respectfully submitted,

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